

2014 Iron Horse Festival Parade Scoring Guide

Category	Description	Characteristic is evident/met				
		Very Strong	Strong	Moderate	Weak	Not at All
		4	3	2	1	0
Floats judged prior to parade start. All floats must be at the park, in position to be judged, with all costumed float participants no later than 1:15 p.m. A float not in the judging area by judging time will be disqualified for prizes.						
Theme (points will be tripled)	Design of the float fits the theme of the parade Parade narrative describes concept of the float	4	3	2	1	0
Originality	Originality of the float Creativeness of materials and decorations Unusual materials (lighting, mirrors, bubbles, smoke, etc.)	4	3	2	1	0
Craftsmanship	Attention to detail and design of the float Effective use of materials Originality of decorations (handmade score higher)	4	3	2	1	0
Difficulty	Difficulty of construction Level of effort Handmade decorations Special effects (lighting, bubbles, smoke, etc.)	4	3	2	1	0
Costuming	Costumes look nice and fit in with the theme, and design of the float	4	3	2	1	0
Overall Appearance	Design has flow and balance Crowd appeal Design has appeal from all sides	4	3	2	1	0
Parade Entry Form	Describes group participating and entry	4	3	2	1	0
Parade Entry Form Bonus	Entry Form turned in by deadline (September 10, 2013 by 4:30 p.m.)	4	X	X	X	X
Previous Year Participant	Participant receives 3 points if they entered a float in 2012 parade	X	3	X	X	0
Column Totals						
Total						